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SUBJ: ISRAELI PRESS REPORTS NEW US NEGOTIATING

CONCEPT

- 1. HAARETZ (MARGALITH, BASED IN WASHINGTON) REPORTED AUG. 25 THAT USG CURRENTLY STUDYING NEW THREE-STAGE APPROACH TO MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATING PROCESS. SUB-HEAD DECLARES PLAN WILL BE REFINED IN ADVANCE OF RABIN VISIT.
- 2. FIRST STAGE OF PLAN WOULD REPORTEDLY INVOLVE NEGOTIATIONS
 BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JORDAN AIMING AT INTERIM SETTLEMENT WHICH, TO
 ACCOMMODATE JORDANIAN DESIRE, MIGHT BE TERMED DISENGAGEMENT OF
 FORCES. SETTLEMENT WOULD INVOLVE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM
 JERICHO AND PERHAPS FROM OTHER POINTS AS WELL, BUT NOT RPT NOT
 ALONG WHOLE LENGTH OF RIVER. NEGOTATIONS WITH EGYPT FOR FURTHER
 ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM SINAI WOULD BE SECOND STAGE AND WOULD
 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW ACHIEVEMENT OF INTERIM SETTLEMENT WITH JORDAN.
 INTEGRAL PART OF ALLEGED APPROACH IS THAT INTERIM AGREEMENT
 WITH JORDAN WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE IMPLEMENTED, THUS OBVIATING
 NEED FOR GOI TO CALL ELECTIONS. THIRD STAGE WOULD BE ELECTIONS
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IN ISRAEL, BUT VOTERS WOULD CONSIDER BOTH TERRITORIAL

AGREEMENTS AS PACKAGE.

3. ARTICLE POINTS OUT THIS PROCEDURE, IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING
HUSSEIN WITH CONCRETE ACCOMPLISHMENT, WOULD MEET BOTH SADAT'S
DESIRE FOR ADDITIONAL DIPLOMATIC SUCCESS AND ISRAEL'S RELUCTANCE
TO CONFRONTEARLY ELECTIONS. ARTICLE ALSO STATES SECRETARY
KISSINGER HAS NOT RPT NOT YET MADE UP HIS MIND REGARDING THIS APPROACH.

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